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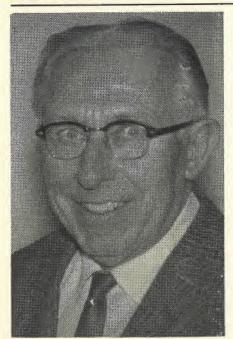
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Immediate Past-President J. Rulon Morgan presents President's Pin to new President Milton V. Backman at 1966 SUP Encampment



By Milton V. Backman President National Society Sons of the Utah Pioneers

THIS IS a great honor which you have bestowed upon me. In fact I feel it the greatest honor I have received next to the Priesthood. I thank you for the confidence you have expressed in me in electing me to this high and important office. I assure you I will do my best to justify that confidence and to discharge the duty imposed upon me in the acceptance of this office in a creditable manner. To do so I will need the support of each and every one of you. It has been said of one taking on a new job, "Remember this - the greatest mistake you can make is to think you aren't going to make

I am honored because this office affords me the opportunity to do something to commemorate the heroic and noble spirit of my maternal grandparents who walked across the plains pushing handcarts.

I do not accept the responsibility of this office lightly, especially in my following such a capable and able president as my good friend Rulon Morgan has been. President Morgan has done great things for our organization and in its name.

It is my desire as your president to carry out the high ideals for which we are organized as is so beautifully expressed in our corporate charter. Some of these obpectives are as follows:

#### President Backman's Message

# The Huge Tasks Before SUP

"To forever keep alive the heroic and noble spirit of our Pioneer fathers and mothers to the end that this spirit may aid in the solution of present day problems.

To preserve for posterity those wonderful faith promoting incidents in the lives of the Pioneers which occured during the period when they were transforming a desert waste into the beautiful valleys we now call home.

To build upon the foundation established by the Pioneers which consists of those eternal values involving devotion to God and to country, integrity, honesty, loyalty and unwavering faith that right and truth shall prevail and that a pure and undefiled character is of paramount value.

To work for the advancement, development and betterment of institutions, societies and people for those objectives which stand for progress and high ideals, in an effort to improve home conditions in which to live and rear our children, (and grandchildren), and to perpetuate reverence for God, loyalty to Nation, State and community."

#### High Ideals

Can you imagine an organization existing for a more worthy purpose, having higher ideals and objectives unless it is your church? Don't you think as I do that those who authored our constitution were inspired? Carry an application blank containing our objectives with you. When a friend asks why you are a member of this society let him know why and what we stand for.

Are we doing all that we should do to put into practice the purpose for which we are organized? I think not. With your help and with your permission I should like to be instrumental in putting our objectives and purposes more into practice.

"I should like to lead an organization which works for the advancement, development and betterment of institutions, societies and people for those objectives which stand for progress and high ideals, in an effort to improve home conditions in which to live and rear our children and grand-children, and to perpetuate reverance for God, loyalty to nation, state and community.

Are our worldly conditions such that we need to do something to improve? Some think so. Jenkin Lloyd Jones, a newspaper editor thinks so as is evident from a speech made by him to the American Society of Newspaper Editors titled "Who Is Tampering With the Soul of America?" With your permission I should like to here quote a few statements made by Mr. Jones:

An Ugly Picture

"Can anyone of you deny that movies for instance are dirtier than ever? Why do we let them fool us? Why do we nod owlishly when they tell us that filth is merely daring art form, that licentiousness is really social comment. Isn't it plain that the financially-harassed movie industry is putting gobs of sex in the darkened drive-ins in an effort to lure curious teenagers? I am told that just recently the screen industry announced that henceforth perversion and homosexuality would no longer be barred from the screen provided the subjects were handled with 'delicacy and taste'.

Now there is a newspaper editor who dared to publicly express his disapproval of the conditions facing our young people today. Do you agree that we should try to do something about it? Let us encourage our boys to be "He Men" instead of "Long Haired Beatles." Let us encourage our girls to be "ladies" and not "beatnicks."

I should like to lead an organization which will be instrumental in putting back into the English language the word "lazy," which it appears has been replaced with the two words, "under privileged."

Our Constitution

I should like to lead an organization which will attempt to do See MESSAGE, page 6



#### Loyalty of A Pioneer

IT HAS often been said that one of the great qualities of a good leader is that he must be a good follower. Such an attitude requires deep loyalty.

Brigham Young, the great pioneer prophet-colonizer, had that kind of loyalty, alike to the cause he represented, to those he served and to those he followed.

Too often we see men in positions of leadership who forget they would not be where they are, except for those whom they were appointed to serve. Others depreciate the efforts and even the names of their predecessors. They fail to realize that nobody can build himself up by tearing the other fellow down.

Brigham Young, with all his amazing accomplishments, was loyal through and through, not only to his people but to his predecessor, the Prophet Joseph Smith. Never did he neglect an opportunity to urge his followers to heed the wise counsel of Joseph.

While we give all due credit to Brigham Young for leading the pioneers to this Valley of the Great Salt Lake, he took no credit for himself. He gave all the credit to Joseph Smith and the Lord. He reminded the Saints often that Joseph had first envisioned the journey and the assembly of the Church in the Rocky Mountains, It was all Joseph' plan.

Whenever we commemorate the settlement of the pioneers in the Great Salt Lake Valley, we should pause to recall the type of loyalty that made up part of the character of their leader. He took no credit that belonged to others, and as a matter of fact, little that belonged to him. What was best for the Kingdom, that is what he did. There was no hesitancy on his part in making personal sacrifices. He was devoted; he was true!

The pioneers, by emulating Brigham's example in loyalty and

devotion, became a group of superior people. By their willingness to follow an inspired leader, they laid the foundation for a great commonwealth. Bound by ties of loyalty and brotherhood they learned to live and work together without supressing individualism, without depreciating the efforts of others.

#### A Fine Encampment

THERE have been many delightful, enjoyable and impressive encampments in the history of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, but it would be putting a premium on the magic of memory to recall one more memorable than the gala conclave our good men and brethren gave us at Brigham City.

From the opening hours of registration at the historic old Brigham City Tabernacle, to the final amen at the Inauguration Assembly Saturday night, the convention was one happy hour after another. The encampment committee, headed by the energetic and enthusiastic Francis L. Christensen, surely did outdo itself to please the many delegates and members who attended. The two-day meeting moved briskly into the great and colorful President's Banquet, which set an all-time attendance record.

Highlights that will linger long in the preciousness of memory must surely be, in addition to the banquet and the inauguration meeting, that thoroughly artistic and charming musicale by Drauca Holmes, a gifted vocalist and Lucille Lawson, her amazing accompanist; the tour of the famed Indian School; The Pioneer Memorial Rest Home, the bus tour to the Bear River Game Refuge and the Corinne Railroad Museum.

Thanks Brigham City SUP's for giving us so much of your time and attention. You have made for us many friends—wonderful people to know and to appreciate. May we come again some time?

#### 'Let's Go To Church!'

"Go-To-Church Month" (November) is intended to emphasize the importance of religion in personal, community and national life by urging everyone to attend regularly the church of his choice.

This is a nation-wide observance with civic groups taking the lead in directing the program in the various communities. Typical of the manner in which the endeavor is being received is the activity of the Salt Lake Exchange Club whose Go-To-Church Committee has issued the following statement:

"As representatives of various faiths we endorse, with enthusiasm, the national Go-To-Church program to attain family attendance at church. It is a spontaneous evidence of the basic moral and spiritual strength of our American society. During November and all the year we urge the adults in our community to respond to this friendly call: 'Let's take our families to church on Sunday'."

Like the pilgrims going to work with a Bible in one hand and a musket in the other, folks who go to church encounter no little opposition in their desire to contribute their physical presence in the house of worship as a witness of the faith by which they live. Sunday has become so occupied with claimant secular interests that for millions of Americans attendance at church is not given the slightest consideration on the schedule on this holy day.

Every person is helped in the development of his spiritual nature through association with honest, decent, upright human beings — people who are willing to give of their time, talent and means for others. Where do we find people like that? Certainly, the first place to look is the church. "Let's Goto-Church" during November and all the time thereafter!



#### Vice Presidents Chosen For National Council

Elected vice presidents of the SUP for 1966-67 at the Brigham City Encampment were, left to right: Frank J. Earl, Provo; Jesse Layton, Huntsville; H. Allen Jensen, Midvale, Life Membership Committee; Joseph S. McDonald, Holladay; Francis L. Christensen, Brigham City; Charles R. Bird, Salt Lake City. Not present for picture: Ray Knell, Cedar City and Lorenzo Hansen, Logan.

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#### An Encampment Long To Be Remembered

## Milton Backman Heads New Set Of SUP Officers

By Les Goates

Election of a new set of officers, headed by Milton V. Backman; an impressive and inspiring Inaugural Assembly, a record President's Banquet, a thrilling concert and bus tours to the Corinne Railroad Museum, the world-famous Bear River Bird Game Refuge, the Pioneer Memorial Rest Home and the U.S. Indian School, were highlights of the annual encampment of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers at Brigham City, September 16-17.

It was a most memorable gathering which approached the all-time attendance record. Out of it came much wise counsel from past and newly-elected officers and a declaration of intention from all officers and delegates to work harder for new members, especially life members; and take on more chapter projects.

The lofty idealism of the national organization was stressed eloquently by President Backman in his inaugural address. Pres. Back-

man declared that his objective the coming year is not only to encourage interest and participation in two of the finest pioneer villages in this country, belonging to the SUP, but to encourage chapters and members to put into practice the high purposes for which the society was organized.

1966-67 Goals

He said he would strive to keep alive the heroic spirit of the pioneer fathers and mothers; to preserve for posterity those faithpromoting incidents in the lives of the pioneers which occured during that period of time when they were

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## SUP Achievement Awards Announced

The Awards Committee of the National Society of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers at the Brigham City Encampment presented the following achievement awards:

OUTSTANDING COUPLE (1965-66) - Clement and Mrs. (Agnes) Judd, Cedar City.

OUTSTANDING MEMBER (1965-66)—Arnold Barney Standing, Ogden.

OUTSTANDING CHAPTER (1965-66)—Huntsville. MEMBERSHIP AWARD—Brigham City Chapter.



Mr. and Mrs. Clem Judd of Cedar City acclaimed "SUP Couple of the Year" at the Brigham City encampment. The Judds have devoted countless hours-even days and years-to the building up of the Cedar City Chapter, the promotion of numerous projects and the preservation of pioneer artifacts and monuments.

# Encampment at Brigham City

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transforming a desert waste into the beautiful valleys we now call home; to instill in our young people the unwavering faith that right and truth shall prevail and that a pure and undefiled character is of paramount value. He believes if this is done and if the chapters will put these objectives into practice it will stimulate those hundreds of eligible men over 18 years of age who have at least one ancestor who came to, or was born in Utah, prior to May 10, 1869, to become members of this society.

Francis L. Christensen of Brigham City, was chairman of the National Encampment. The colorful Mormon Battalion, members of the National Society, conducted the traditional flag raising cere-mony at the Box Elder High School.

New Vice Presidents

At the annual encampment business meeting, the following vice presidents were elected:

Southern Utah Area - Ray Knell, Cedar City.

Provo Area - Frank J. Earl, Provo.

South Salt Lake Area-Joseph McDonald.

Salt Lake Area North—Charles R. Bird.

Ogden Area - Jesse Layton, Huntsville.

Box Elder Area - Francis L. Christensen, Brigham City.

Cache Valley Area - Lorenzo Hansen, Logan.

Life Membership Board — H. Allen Jensen, Midvale.

Arnold (Barney) Standing, of the Ogden Chapter, was acclaimed "SUP Member of the Year" and Clem and Agnes Judd, of Cedar City, were named "Outstanding SUP Couple of the Year." The

Jefferson Hunt Chapter of Hunts-ville was chosen "Chapter of the Year." Mrs. Elizabeth M. Lauritzen received a gold medal for first place in the Pioneer Story Contest. Harold H. Jenson, SUP historian, received the Distinguished Service Award for his outstanding work in compiling pioneer history throughout the years.

About New President Pres. Backman is a Salt Lake City attorney and is a descendent of handcart pioneers-Joseph and Mary Ann Backman. He is past president of the Sugar House Chapter, Sons of the Utah Pioneers and has been a vice president of the national society the past year. He has been a member of the national board since 1954. He is associate director with Horace A. Sorensen of Utah Pioneer Village which is a gift of Mr. and Mrs. Sorensen to the national society, and of the Railroad Village Museum at Corinne.

Mr. Backman is a National Council Representative and member of the Executive Board of Great Salt Lake Council, Boy Scouts of America and holder of the Silver Beaver award. He is past president of Ambassador Athletic Club, and one of the organizers and a member of the first board of governors of the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Salt Lake City.

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> NO PLACE LIKE IT Where'er my footsteps roam It's always good to be back home.

#### SUP OFFICERS ELECTED AT BRIGHAM CITY

PRESIDENT: Milton V. Backman

VICE PRESIDENTS

Southern Utah Area-Ray Knell, Cedar City Provo Area-Frank J. Earl, Provo Salt Lake Area South-Joseph S. McDonald, Halladay Salt Lake Area North-Charles H. Bird, Salt Lake City Ogden Area-Jesse Layton, Huntsville Box Elder Area-Francis L. Christensen, Brigham City Cache Valley Area-Lorenzo F. Hansen, Logan

LIFE MEMBERSHIP BOARD

H. Allen Jensen, Midvale (5-year terms)

## Past President's Message

# Morgan Tells Appreciation

By J. Rulon Morgan

Time marches on and so does SUP with another year of achievement behind us and a new staff of splendid officers to lead us onward. This has been a year of enjoyment, a year of striving and a year of happiness to your retiring president. It has

been a year of comradship and fraternal cooperation. I am deeply grateful for this

experience.



J. Rulon Morgan

The Sons of the Utah Pioneers are in good hands with the installation of our new officers. They will carry our organization higher and higher, and let us assure them we will all assist in helping to preserve the lofty idealism and the memories of achievement by our revered pioneers.

It has been most remarkable, the harmony that has existed among chapter and national officers, the willingness to work, the closely-linked fellowship and the high standards so strictly adherred to by members everywhere.

Because of these things it is hard to relinquish the reins. Nevertheless, it is reassuring that the bonds of fellowship we have established will endure always.

If I may recommend some procedures that will strengthen SUP I would like to suggest:

♣A campaign to double our membership within the next two years. This I belive can be done by carefully-chosen projects and inspired enthusiasm in carry them out.

♣A new drive for life memberships. We ought to get 100 new life memberships this coming year.

♣Install new chapters. We should have chapters in several such communities as Heber City, Spanish Fork, Bountiful, American Fork and other places that are rich in pioneer history.

→Make our chapters more than mere heritage organizations. With our background we have an advantage over any civic club as a purposeful, dedicated, forceful power for good in all our cities and towns.

Finally, let us ever look forward; never backward! My gratitude and love to you all and may this be our brightest and best year ever!

# Standing Was Most Outstanding

Arnold R. Standing, acclaimed the outstanding member of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers for 1966 by the Awards Committee, must be the versatility champion of the organization also, considering his amazing and varied career.

He was born in Brigham City, the son of Hyrum Standing and was of pioneer heritage. He graduated from Box Elder High School and Utah State University. He served in World War I and on a mission for the LDS Church to the Northwestern States.

Mr. Standing was an employee of the U.S. Forest Service for 41 years, including posts as forest ranger, Cache National Forest: supervisor of the Dixie National Forest and assistant regional forester, Northwest region at Portland, Ore. He held the same posiat Ogden.

He married Josephene Lindquist of Logan. They have three children and 13 grandchildren.

# Message

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something toward the preservation of the Constitution of these United S tates which our forefathers fought so bravely to establish and which is gradually being taken from us. We recognize it is every American's duty to support his government but do we have to support it in the style it has become accustomed to?

Who has a greater responsibility at this hour than we, Sons of Utah Pioneers? Remember the good old days when a juvenile delinquent was a youngster who owed a few cents on an overdue

library book.

I should like to encourage our membership and chapters to take a greater interest and to participate more in our Pioneer Village and Railroad Museum which were given to us by Ethel and Horace Sorensen who have supported them since having made such generous gifts. These museums are rated tops in their class in the entire nation. They are ours, visit them, take your friends to them. Let's show Ethel and Horace that we do appreciate that which they have done and which they continue to do for SUP.

I express my thanks to you fine members in your having voted into office such fine men to work with

me and for you.



Arnold R. Standing ... No. 1 SUP for 1966

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# Our Readers Write-

'Save Saltair' Project Merits Support

It is most encuraging and satisfying to report that our "Save Saltair" project is gaining support and momentum. It is significant of this interest that the Mormon Battalion has come out vigorously in favor of restoring this once world-famous resort. This is most meaningful support and is genuinely appreciated.

The "Save Saltair" Committee, as most readers of The Pioneer may know, has set up headquarters, which is mostly a reception center, at 28 East First South St., to which we most cordially invite all who are interested in this

worthy endeavor.

We are making a drive to get \$1.3 million to bring back this historic resort on the shores of Great Salt Lake. SOS buttons, (Save Our Saltair) will identify con-tributors. We desire to stress the urgency of the situation since the State Board of Examiners has set a deadline for Dec. 1 for citizens to demonstrate their willingness to contribute the necessary funds.

Donations of from \$1 to \$10 will earn a rank of Saltair Seaman; \$10 to \$50 the rank of Saltair Ensign; a Saltair Commander will give between \$50 and \$100; and a \$100 to \$500 contribution will make the donor a Saltair Captain. Those who subscribe \$500 or more, will be Saltair Ad-

If this campaign goes over as it now looks as though it will, grand old historic Saltair will be ready for the tourist season by June 1967.

At our booth at the Utah State Fair, several non-Utahns said that if they had in their state a

natural facility like Saltair it would have been restored long ago or would never have been allowed to deteriorate in the first

A "New Saltair" replacing the "Old Saltair" is an urgent need and necessity for Utah.

-Sheldon Brewster

#### Earl J. Glade True Industrial Pioneer

In all the glowing tributes that were paid to the late beloved Mayor Earl J. Glade, no mention was made of the fact that this amazing man was first vice president of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, under the leadership of our present historian Harold H. Jen-

Earl Glade never hesitated to do anything that was asked of him as an SUP official, as in all his other high official positions. His vision of the future of radio and his tremendous energy and devotion in developing this great modern phenomenon in the Intermountain region can never be overestimated nor completely appreciated.

No person ever did more to advertise Salt Lake City and this he did with splendid dignity and rare personal charm. He started the Sugar House Times, Radio KZN, later KSL.

Sons of the Utah Pioneers expresses heartfelt sympathy in the passing of this great pioneer industrial and civic leader. We shall all miss him very much, indeed.

-H.H.].

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#### The Mormon Battalion On The Move

## Much Ado At the Brigham City Encampment

By Marvin E. Smith

(Executive Officer of the Mormon Battalion)

THE SUP NATIONAL Encampment at Brigham City in mid-September was a memorable one. It was well conducted, and planned with interesting highlights. Our congratulations to Chairman Francis L. Christensen for the organization, and to President J. Rulon Morgan for the conduct of the official sessions.

Milton V. Backman, veteran SUP stalwart, was the unanimous choice for national president. This past year he served as judge advocate on the board. Always a worker, he will find favorable support during his term of office.

A Pleasane Event occurred following the President's banquet at Brigham City when Gerald M. Waterfall of the Awards committee presented a special trophy of recognition to Harold H. Jenson, national historian. President Monte Felt of the Salt Lake Luncheon Club supported the presentation with appropriate remarks. A former national SUP president, Harold continues to seek ways to promote and bring recognition to the organization.

Col. Earl A. Hansen was noticeably missing from the encampment. He was readily forgiven, however, when it was learned that he and his wife were in Seattle to meet their son, Paul, who was just released from an outstanding Northwestern States Mission.

Thanks To Battalion members who turned out in uniform to take care of the retrieving of the colors prior to the banquet at Box Elder High School. They included Earl Gordon, William Kendrick, Lt. Howard Lichfield, James P. Mil-

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MORMON BATTALION Flag Raising Detail at Brigham City Encampment: Left to right—Earl Gordon, William Kendrick, Howard Lichfield, Marvin E. Smith, James P. Miller, Allen Crow. Not shown in picture, J. Rulon Morgan and his trumpet.

ler, Allen Crow, and Rulon J. Morgan.

The Day Was Brighter recently when we met Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jones of Pocatello. They were in Salt Lake City on a brief errand to help others, as usual. We have enjoyed their company on most of our memorable treks.

Have You Noticed?—How full of interest is the new Pioneer Magazine? . . . That the Jefferson Hunt Chapter won another award? . . . That Sgt, Kenneth Rasmussen was elected to the Board of Directors? . . . The beautiful Indian Summer? . . . How Horace A. Sorensen goes out of his way to make things more enjoyable for everyone? . . . How fun it was to visit the Railroad Museum at Corinne, and the Bear River Bird Refuge with three busloads plus?

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The DUP Dedicated a marker at the Old Mill. Sgt. Ken Rasmussen was in charge of the Battalion flag detail for the occasion.

J. Rulon Morgan's trumpet added beauty and dignity to the flag ceremony at the Brigham City encampment.

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# Our Festive Holiday Seasons

-By Les Goates

#### Let Us Give Thanks For Our Abundant Blessings

IT USED to be the custom, at least in some old-fashioned homes to pause before the Thanksgiving Day feast, and before invoking the divine blessing, ask everybody around the table to tell something for which he or she was thankful. It sounds a bit strange in this sophisticated world, but it wasn't such a bad idea.

Sometimes the children came up with ideas that were positively convulsing; sometimes something that would bring a tear to the eye.

Let us for a moment play this little game in preparation for Thanksgiving Day! What are we most thankful for?

Let us be thankful that we live in the United States of America, undoubtedly the most blessed nation in all the history of civilization, and that at least some of her citizens appreciate this fact and express



their appreciation in service to the under-privileges,

wherever they may find them.

Let us be thankful for turkeys which are more truly American birds than the eagle, the symbol of our liberty. Turkeys are more useful, too. Let us be thankful that we can eat a sumptuous Thanksgiving Day dinner without any qualms of conscience about diet because the multiplicity of good foods which grace our holiday tables is the very essence of good nutrition which depends upon variety.

Let us be thankful for freedom of speech so that if we get mad at our congressman, senator or mayor, we can air our grievances to their faces or in writing

and they have to listen.

Let us be thankful for the freedom to disagree with anybody, no matter how powerful or influential; and let us be thankful that we can cherish this same right for those who disagree with us.

Let us be thankful for radio, television, the press, magazines and books which, despite shortcomings have opened wide the doors of the world to those who

would look within.

Let us be thankful that society has recognized that man and not woman is the weaker sex biologically, and concern is now being expressed over the "suicidal cult of manliness" which drives men to kill themselves providing for and protecting the "weaker" sex, which outlives them and enjoys their inheritance.

Let us be thankful for friendship and the spirit of fraternity such as exists in our wonderful Sons of the Utah Pioneers for without such love of man for

man, life would scarcely we worth living.

Let us be thankful for a faith that gives assurance of a life beyond this life and a plan of eternal progression and reunion with our loved ones, for ever and ever!

#### What Manner of Being Was This Jesus Of Nazareth?

WHILE friends and loved ones are together this forthcoming beautiful Christmas season it is appropriate and opportune that each household, even each heart be made a chapel, remembering that one thousand nine hundred and sixty-six years ago God gave to the world the greatest Gift ever bestowed upon this earth, his only begotten Son. In the festivities of this holiday season, therefore let us remember to "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS!"

What manner of being was he whose devine ministry and atoning sacrifice we commemorate each Christmas season? One of the most comprehensive pictures of the Master has been penned by Dr. James A. Francis. It is charming in its simplicity and most sincere as you will see in the paragraphs to follow:

Here was a man who was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in another obscure village. He worked in a carpenter shop until he was 30, then for three years he was an itinerant preacher.

He never wrote a book. He never held public office. He never owned a home. He never had a family. He never went to college. He never put his foot inside



a big city. He never traveled 200 miles from the place where he was born. He never did any of the things that usually accompany greatness.

He had no credentials except himself. He never had anything to do with this world except to bring into it the naked power of his divine manhood. While still a young man the tide of public opinion turned against him. His friends deserted him. One of them betrayed him. He was turned over to his enemies.

He went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While he was dying his executioners gambled for the only piece of property he had, which was his cloak. When he was dead he was taken down and laid in a borrowed grave, through the pity of a friend.

Nineteen wide centuries have come and gone and today he is the centerpiece of the human race and the leader of the world column of progress. I am sure I am within the bounds of reason when I say that all the armies that ever marched, and all the navies that were ever built, all the parliaments that ever sat, and all the kings that ever reigned—all together have not affected the lives of so many upon this earth as has that of this Jesus of Nazareth!

#### Prize Pioneer Story For 1966

# Love's Labor Not Lost'

By Elizabeth Lauritzen

N LIVERPOOL, England, about 1866, I a group of people met quietly in the home of friends. They gathered together again to hear the gospel, as it was being preached by two Mormon missionaries from America.

Already thousands of the English people had sailed for America, and many more were making serious plans for going. George Hanks, oldest brother of Elizabeth Hanks was one. He had been in America four years, and his letters to his family contained much news of the new Zion.

His last letter, just received, was held firmly in the gloved hand of his sister as she took a seat near the door. She must watch for John East, her betrothed. He had sent her word that he would be betained because of something very important, but would meet her at the meeting. Extremely interesting though the sermon was, Elizabeth could hardly keep her mind on what the elder was saying, so great was her curiosity to know what could be so important as to keep John from being on time for the meeting. His love for the gospel was deep and true.

The first elder was well into his discussion before John arrived. Finding a seat next to her, he gently pressed her hand, but further than that neither took their eyes off the face of the speaker as he explained the new faith.

This gospel was the same as Jesus taught when he lived on earth among men. It had been restored to earth in its original purity. Joseph Smith was the instrument through which this marvelous thing had taken place . . . His people believed him to be a true prophet of the living God. They were willing to die, if necessary for the faith.

Elizabeth kept thinking, "how wonderful is America . . . in no place else could such miracles take place.

When the meeting ended, John and Elizabeth were among the first to reach the street and to begin their walk home-



Mrs. Elizabeth M. Lauritzen, Brigham City, is shown receiving gold medal symbolical of first place in the 1966 Pioneer Story contest, from Dr. Knight Kerr and and Mrs. Marion B. Kerr, in behalf of the late Dr. Walter B. Kerr, who served for many years as chairman of Compton Photo the traditional contest.

ward. "Now, what is the news, John? I can 'ardly wait to 'ear it.'

"You will be surprised when I tell you, but I 'ope you will not be too sorrowful."

"Tell me quickly, John. You know I cannot wait with patience. 'ave your parents accepted the gospel?"

"It, it is not so good as that, but almost. I am going to America at the end of this week. I 'ave just signed to work for my passage on the imigrant

'Oh, John!"

'Now aren't you 'appy about that, dear? I know it will be 'ard to be parted, but I'll 'ave a job very soon and send for you.'

The Farewell Four days later they said farewell. As the little sailing vessel left the harbor for the open sea, Elizabeth remembered John's words: "There will be lots of work in America. I will work on the railroad, learn to dig gold, or to drive a team. I will send money, and when we meet in Utah, we will be married the next day."

More forunate than most girls, Elizabeth was able to find a good job in the home of a physician. She was hired to be nurse maid to his children, and company for the doctor's wife when he was called into the country to look after the sick. She also helped with the dusting and light house work before the children were awake in the morning. In the doctor's library, her curiosity led her to peek inside the large medical books. When no one seemed to object, she returned to them whenever she had time to read. One day the doctor found her there absorbed in a book of obstetrics. She was so interested that she did not know that the doctor had come and gone away again.

Once when the nurse could not work, Dr. Wall invited Elizabeth to go with him to a home where a baby was about to be born. This was the beginning of a long and useful career for her.

he had arrived safely in America, and

After a few months, Elizabeth had a letter from John East in which he said

#### Pioneer Stories Winners For 1966

FIRST PLACE—Mrs. Elizabeth Lauritzen, Brigham City, gold medal: "Love's Labor Not Lost."

SECOND PLACE - Noal C. Newbold, silver medal: Jigsaw.

THIRD PLACE-James H. Miller, Brigham City, bronze medal: "Coming To Utah."

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Noal C. Newbold . . . second best story

# STORY

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would soon be making the journey up the river to Council Bluffs. From there he would join a wagon train to Utah. He would write home later.

As Elizabeth became more and more indispensable to the family of Dr. Wall, her life became very full. She studied part of every day, she had her work with the doctor's family, and her meetings with the saints. Besides these activities, she was learning to play the organ, for Mrs. Wall found it a pleasure to teach a pupil as apt as Elizabeth was at learning the chords, and which stops to use for the most harmonious effects. Before long she was able to play from the hymn book.

#### Westward Ho

It was her very good fortune when the Walls decided to leave England and go to New York to live. She was able to help them with the children for her passage over. She was seventeen when she told them goodbye in New York, and took a seat on the new transcontintental railway train for the west and Utah. After her ticket was paid for, she still had a little money left that she had earned. With her clothes, a few precious possessions, and the priceless books the Walls had given her packed in a small brass bound trunk at her feet, she chugged along the marvelous steel rails behind the puffing steam engine, and watched the miles drop away behind them at an amazingly rapid rate. She was impressed with the immensity of the country this warm July day in 1869, and was thankful for the ease and speed with which her journey to Utah was being accomplished.

#### About The Author

Elizabeth Moyes Lauritzen has taught in the schools of Arizona and Utah for a number of years. The mother of six children and the grandmother of seven, she received her master's degree from Utah State University in 1961. She is now serving as Elementary Librarian at the Intermountain Indian School.

She is author of the popular western book "Shush'ma." She is a descendant of pioneers on both sides of her family.

Her mind was at ease for she felt sure that John would be at the station to greet her when she arrived at her destination. She had written him that she was coming, and when to expect her. But John had not received her letter, for he was not in Utah at that time. No one was there to meet her, nor did anyone at the station know anything about her John.

She soon found a place to stay in the home of the saints, and for several weeks she followed every clue to learn something of John, but none yielded any information. Before long her money was gone, and she knew she must find work. She could not stay on indefinitely with the kind people who had taken her in.

When she could find nothing in Salt Lake to carry her through the winter, she wrote to her brother George in Salem. She asked him if there was any work there that she could get to sustain herself, and could he please come to Salt Lake to see her.

When the harvesting was done in late October, George came to Salt Lake to see his sister. Fall came early in Utah that year, and it was bitter cold on the return trip to salem. They had only one horse between them, so the brother and sister took turns riding and walking the sixty or seventy miles between the two communities. It was a blessing that the horse had no saddle, for the warmth of the horse's body helped to keep them from freezing.

When they arrived at Salem, Elizabeth's feet were almost frozen. To thaw them out they were put in cold water, which process was thought to be the best thing to do in those days. It was very painful to get the circulation started again in this manner, and it was a miracle that the tissue was not damaged beyond repair. But the Lord takes care of his own, and her young body responded to the



James H. Miller
... wins bronze medal

otherwise kind treatment she received in the home of her brother's employer. Soon she too, was able to be walking around and helping with the work of the household.

A Second Wife

George had said in letters to the family, "Moses Curtis is a good kind man. He is doing very well with his farming, and he has a share in the new lumber mill at Provo, and several other worthwhile enterprises." She knew now that all George had said was true, and much more.

George now said, "A young girl such as you are could do worse than to marry Moses Curtis, as a second wife, if he asks you."

"But what about John?" she asked.
"Yes, what about John," he said.
There is a big chance that you will

There is a big chance that you will never hear of him again. America is a big country; Utah is just one part of the great western part of it. It seems to me that a single women has no reason for remaining unmarried as long as you have. You are eighteen, and some might say you are an old maid. You need a man to take care of you. If Moses asks you, I think it would be a good move for you to accept him."

And so it was. By next spring, Elizabeth had grown to love Aurelia and Moses Curtis and their houseful of darkeyed serious children. She agreed to join their family.

They were married in the Endowment House in June, 1870, and returned to Salem a few weeks later.

The weeks in the city were busy ones. Besides being married, Moses had received a call from Brigham Young to take his family and lead a group of saints to settle the Gila Valley in Arizona. After a few minutes of being

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# **Award-Winning Story**

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stunned at the thought of leaving his fertile fields, his young orchard and vineyard, and his cattle, he agreed to go. He and his family had toiled for almost twenty years to get the farm to producing profitably, but Moses Curtis never thought of questioning the will of Brigham Young as the instrument in the hands of the Lord, for establishing Zion.

The next day he purchased another wagon and team. "This is your wedding present and your home, Elizabeth. When we make the trip to Arizona, you will be in charge of this wagon, and probably the driver of the team, as well." This proved to be true, but she did not wait until time to leave for Arizona to begin to learn to drive the horses, or to take possession of her wagon. She had Moses go with her to the home of the people who had taken her in when she was a stranger in a new land, and with whom she had left

With her precious books and other belongings that would be a valuable heritage in her new life, she began to make the wagon her home.

They returned to Salem, and had been there only a few weeks when a company from San Bernardino, California arrived and stopped for a few hours on their way to Salt Lake. In the company was John

#### Sorrowful Greeting

When Elizabeth and John met they feel into each others arms and wept. They were broken hearted that they had met too late. They cried until there were no more tears to shed. Then Elizabeth said, 'John, I guess you know that I have married Moses. I waited so long. Now you must forget about me. Marry some nice Mormon girl and be 'appy with 'er. I am going to Arizona with Moses and Rillie. They need me. Moses 'as been called to 'elp settle the Gila, and from what I 'ear they need a mid-wife down there. I know the Lord calls us to go where we can do the most good.'

"Goodbye, my Elizabeth. May the Lord bless you. We must recognize "Is

and in all things. Farewell."

Elizabeth Hanks Curtis went to Arizona, and there she became one of that territory's most respected and honored citizens. Her name is recorded in the history of that state, and in the hearts of many who knew her.

Her home had a distinct charm about it that was rare in the homes of the valley in those early days. It had a stairway with one room built above another, and all around the house the sweetest garden grew. She had both vegetables and flowers, and her generosity with both in those times when such things were very scarce or did not exist, filled an acute need in

life, especially of children. The fragrance of her many kinds of old-fashioned flowers made passing by her house an important event in our lives. Hers was a quiet home with shade trees and cool vines that made a spot of shade in summer for bare feet of children to step in and pause. Her lot was as an oasis in the midst of a burning desert. Inside, the lamplight of evening gave a positive charm to rag carpets, pieced quilts, hand carved furniture, and the lace window curtains starched stiff and white and held back with red crepe paper roses. It was a home where little girls were invited to come after school to practice singing while she played the organ. She helped each little girl learn the words, "Hush my child, and peace attend thee, all through the night," and when it was time to render it in the ward Christmas Program, she knew where to find a small hard carved child size rocker for each little girl to sit in while she sang the rocked her dollie.

Aunt Lizzie Curtis-a legend and an ideal still-to all of us who knew her. Still living are a few of the nine hundred and some babies whom she assisted into the world with her gentle hands. She was known to risk her own life many times to swim horseback across the torrent that was the raging Gila River in flood time to help someone who was sick and needed her. In her work as a nurse she covered an area of more than a hundred miles between Bowie and Globe. She often met and dealt with strange characters such as the frontier produces: cowboys, Indians, rustlers, teamsters, miners, soldiers, prospectors and preachers. She was fearless, and was never known to shrink from doing her duty.

She read everything she could get about medicine, took courses and tests by correspondence, and received both nurses and doctor's certificates, such as were available at that time.

#### Counselor To Maidens

She was a friend and counselor to maidens in search of knowledge about the great mystery of life-love. She was a shining, crisp example of cleanliness to homemakers and little children, and of generosity when dealing with the poor, of firmness when dealing with peers, and of keenness when dealing with competitors.

She taught her family to pray, and to develop their talents. She taught several of her eight children to play the organ, and the whole community to sing: through her efforts a pioneer community was made happy and reverent through music -their most perfect expression of a perfect faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Her life was an example of strength

#### Western Indians Pick Beauty Queen

The Arapaho, the Shoshoni and the Cheyennes all gathered for their annual pow wow in Sheridan and one of the weighty problems confronting the tribes was the selection of a beauty queen.

Who would it be—an Arapaho, a Shoshoni or a Cheyenne? The rivalry was hot as a newly-moulded arrow. Last year it was a Kiowa squaw and the year before it was an Arapaho. After some heap big powwowing the judges faced south and chose a pretty Pueblo maiden, Wahleah Lujan, 18.

A bit plumpish, as beauty queens go, nevertheless, Miss Lujan displayed facial sweetness and charm that Pocahontas might have envied. She is a sophomore at Colorado's Fort Lewis College and she is a promising young artist. Some of her Indian abstractions are good enough to hang in both the Chicago Art Institute and the Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

Wahaleah was tearfully appreciative of the honor and quite overcome at being allowed to pose in her tribe's sacred feathered headdress

and love to all people-and, yet it was said of her that when she thought herself alone, she sometimes gave way to weeping. Could it be from weariness due to labor? Could the tears be for 'that good, kind man who was her husband, whom she deeply admired and respected, for the burdens he carried which were equal to her own. Or could the tears be for a love that was lost?

Yet certainly love was not lost. Thousands loved this little English girl who became Aunt Lizzie Curtis to everyone, and dear in the memory of many as the years go by.

Note: The name and character of Elizabeth Hanks Curtis is real, however the story and the name of John East is fiction, based upon the events of her life.

TYPOGRAPHICAL TID-BIT-(From a street commissioner's letter to an irate citizen): "Although hundreds of letters and phone calls come to us each week, we fake a personal interest in each one."

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Recently installed as officers of the Temple Quarry Chapter, Sons of the Utah Pioneers were: Glen Greenwood, president; E. O. Maxfield and Wayne Berrett, vice presidents; J. C. Richards, secretary

and treasurer; Ken Rasmussen, trek chairman; Franklin Seal, chaplain; LaGrande Asay, reporter and photographer.

# Membership In DUP on Increase

The Daughters of the Utah Pioneers now have 25,000 members, it was announced at the semi-annual convention of the organization held at the Hotel Utah on Oct. 1. Central Company President Mrs. Kate B. Carter told more than 700 members at the convention that more than 1000 members had been added to the rolls the past year. The organization is now in its 65th year.

The convention was told that 13 bronze markers had been placed at historical sites during the past year. Some of these are located on the Oregon Trail campsite, the old Magna granary, Fort Cameron, the Murdock Academy at Beaver, and others.

Mrs. Carter urged camps to send histories of DUP meeting places "so that the last lesson might show the world that we have been 'savers of historic buildings,' although some may be under the impression that there has never been an organization in the state that has done so."

Sometimes folks who believe in being frank with their friends, are too frank to have any friends.

#### Bert Crane Honored On His 80th Birthday

The daughters of Albert J. (Bert) Crane, charter member of the Temple Quarry Chapter of the SUP, held open house in observance of their father's 80th birthday on September 9 in the Harriman Cultural Hall. Several hundred friends and relatives of this noted pioneer called to pay him honors.

Bert Crane was born in Herriman, the son of Henry and Jeannette Dansie Crane on Sept. 9, 1886. He has two brothers and three sisters living. He married Carrie Crane, Feb. 21, 1912. She died May 1, 1948. They were the parents of two daughters, Roberta and Evelyn.

He is a retired farmer and worked at the U & &I Sugar Factory at West Jodran during the fall campaigns from 1926 to 1956.

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#### Prominent DUP Leader Dies At 86

Mary McKeever Dixon, 86, long-time devoted member and leader in the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, died Sept. 1 in a Salt Lake hospital. She was the widow of George A. Dixon, Sugar House business and civic leader.

In addition to her work in the DUP, Mrs. Dixon served in the Primary presidency in the Third Ward, Salt Lake Stake. She was also a Relief Society and Sunday School teacher for many years.

Mrs. Dixon was born Oct. 20, 1880 in Salt Lake City, the daughter of Thomas and Esther Rigby McKeever. She married Mr. Dixon, January 16, 1907 in the Salt Lake Temple. They had one son and two daughters. The funeral was held Sept. 6 and burial was in the Salt Lake City Cemetery.

"COUPLE MARRIED 61 YEARS SEEK DIVORCE"—Headline . . . Enough is enough!





The Lauterbrunnen area in Switzerland, is a noted tourist attraction.

In the distance are the famous mountains of Youngfrau.

# SUP Traveling Reporter Takes In Old Countries

By J. Sedley Stanford SUP Life Member No. 84

See Europe through the eyes of your traveling SUP reporter, who with a small party of family members and friends recently took in the principal places of interest in the countries from whence so many of our forebears came. It is one of the thrills of such a tour to come upon the cities, towns and villages where perhaps a father, grandfather or great-grandfather lived and was buried. We had such an experience in our recent tour of "the old countries."

On a 20-day trip of some 2300 miles by car in five countries our eyes were opened much wider to realties, than extensive reading had done.

Going over to Zurich we beheld with delight the unsurpassed brilliance of stars — and a crimson moon that appeared through the little window.

Switzerland is not overrated as a beautiful country. Mountains with smooth grassy slopes; mountains wild and rugged are plentiful as are lakes, meadows, valleys and well kept towns. On the grassy slopes sturdy houses with stone roofs are seen; high up, as far as

grass grows. Cows, goats, men and women with scythes and rakes harvest it. We saw men at work with scythes on a mountain 'too steep to climb.' That hay was easy to move—in one direction.

#### Tourist Gold

The first night we slept between sky-high walls with waterfalls. Jungfrau, a noted peak, was within easy distance. Our farmer-landlord grew hay on his meadow, then tents, all 'tinted with gold.' Tourist gold is plentiful; the Swiss are gathering it.

Riding up in the Alps on a cogged railroad to Zermatt, tourist



I.S. and Pearl Stanford



This church, in Southwick, Eng., over 100 years old, is the place where Stephen Stanford, (1832-1909) was baptized. He and three brothers and a sister came to Cache Valley, to live in 1860.

town—where one can buy almost anything, we saw big peaks not far away; and on another cogged road we were lifted among them; the famous Matterhorn that stabs into the sky, Monta Rosa, higher but not so spectacular and other peaks. Monta Rosa had visitors that June day; we watched them climbing it. Year around the electric-powered train takes tourists and mountaineers up into that invigorating air and majestic scenery.

It is appropriate that an L.D.S. temple should be erected in Switzerland. Inside and outside it is sublime. It stands near a deep green forest and the Alps are visible southward as an angular horizon.

The old and the new get along together somehow. Dogs pulled milkcarts with girls in charge; autos moving along in caution

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#### Lothaire R. Rich

Lothaire R. Rich was born July 17, 1909 in Paris, Idaho, a son of Judge Jesse P. Rich and Louise R. Rich. Judge Rich holds

SUP life membership No. 9, and served as national president of the SUP.

Lothaire's early childhood was spent in Preston and Paris, Idaho, and his youth was spent in Logan, Utah,



Mr. Rich

where he graduated from Logan High School, and Utah State University with a B.S. degree in education, with a major in vocal music.

He married Ruth Nielsen of Logan, and they have two sons and two daughters and eight grandchildren. He is a member of the East Mill Creek Chapter of the SUP, and served as secretary and director.

He is descended from early Utah pioneers, there being seven of his forebearers who came into the Salt Lake Valley in 1847, with the second group of pioneers.

He became interested in vocal music and studied with Dr. Walter Welti and Richard P. Condie, and has been a member of the Logan High School Glee Club; the Utah State Glee Club; the Paramount Glee Club; the Viking Male Chorus, and the Imperial Glee Club, all in Logan, where he was tenor soloist. He was soloist in the Preston Oratorio Society; the Logan Oratorio Society; the Utah State Sunset Festival, and tenor lead in the opera "Martha," at Utah State. He was the regional winner for Northern Utah of the Atwater Kent Radio Vocal competition. He was the

first place winner as tenor coloist in the National Federation of Music Club competition, and won the award as the outstanding vocalist, and was soloist on the National Radio Forum on NBC. He has sung as soloist in numerous stake and ward choirs, also at funerals, entertainments and other occasions.

Lothaire graduated from Columbus Law School in 1942 with an LLB degree, passed the Washington, D.C., Bar, and in 1942, transferred to Logan with the Office of Price Administration, as Area Board Supervisor in the Northern end, and the central portion of the state, and as attorney in Salt Lake City, where he has practiced law since 1946.

Has been active in civic affairs during his career, as director and secretary of the Junior Chamber of Commerce in Preston, Idaho; member of the Lions Club of Logan and South Salt Lake, and has twice served as president of the South Salt Lake Lions Club, and as deputy district governor of District 28T. He has been active in politics, having served as the voting district chairman; legislative district chairman; Senatorial District Chairman: State Central Committee; and County Executive Committee. Served as Mayor, Judge, City Attorney and legal consultant for the City of South Salt Lake.

He has been an active church worker. As councilor in the Sunday School, in the ward and stake superintendency, and stake board; in the Mutual as ward superintendent and on the Cache, Washington, D.C., and Benson Stake boards as chorister; as second and first counciler in bishoprics; on the South Salt Lake High Council; and in the stake presidency of South Salt Lake and as ward and stake music director.



Wendell J. Ashton
. . . Utah Symphony president

#### Former SUP Chief Orchestra President

Wendell J. Ashton, member of the Salt Lake Luncheon Club of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers and popular lecturer on pioneer themes and stories, was named president of the Utah Symphony Orchestra prior to the departure of this famous organization to Greece and an European tour.

Wendell helped write Utah music history when he guided the orchestra on its historic and triumphant tour of Europe and especially the classic Athens Festival.

Mr. Ashton, an executive with a leading Salt Lake advertising firm, has attained top-ranking positions with numbers of civic and cultural organizations, particularly United Fund and the Sons of the Utah Pioneers. He was national president of the SUP. Prior to going into the advertising business he was a brilliant young newspaperman on the old Salt Lake Telegram.

In church activities he was president of the East Mill Creek Stake and is now a member of the General Church Coordinating Committee. He is married to Belva Barlow Ashton, a member of the General Relief Society Board.



# Historical Highlights

By Harold H. Jenson National Historian, the SUP

Mrs. Lucinda E. T. Redd of Monticello, Utah, 102, most graciously greeted this interviewer on her birthday, September 19, at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Oscar W. McConkie and there disclosed the secret of her remarkable longevity.

"Hard work," said this amazing pioneer matron. "To keep busy is to grow mentally, physically and spiritually. Work is one of the choicest blessings the Father has given to his children."

Entering the room on the arm of daughter, Mrs. Redd was seated, 'like the queen that she is," in a large armchair.

Mrs. Redd beams with personality and charm. Her hair long since has turned to silver and her determined chin indicates that she still has a will of her own. The answers to our questions came quicker and clearer than those of any centenarian this interviewer has talked to in many years.

The Monticello matron promised to return to Salt Lake City on the next general Old Folks Day and accept the honors as "Queen For The Day," unless Mrs. Hilda Erickson who is 107, is able to attend. Mrs. Erickson was not well enough to attend the last Old Folks celebration.

Lucinda Redd is the widow of James Monroe Redd who was a member of the historic Hole-In-The-Rock Expedition. He once took her on a sight-seeing trip where she saw the amazing work of this courageous pioneer party. The Redd family has written a

good deal of the pioneer history of southern Utah. Its members number into the hundreds.

Truly, Lucinda Redd and her remarkable family did much to make the desert blossom as a rose.

Dr. Belle Boone Beard, who hobby, like that of this historian, is centenarians and old folks generally, recently interviewed Mrs.



Harold H. Jenson, historian of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers and advertising manager of The Pioneer, was the recipient of the SUP Ox Cart Trophy for outstanding service to the organization over many years. He is shown receiving the award at the Brigham City Encampment from C. Lamont Felt, president of the Salt Lake Luncheon Club Chapter.

Redd on the occasion of the 80th birthday of one of her sons.

(It is singular that Utah now has nine women over 100 and only three men.)

The interview, which your reporter was privileged to attend, went something like this:

"As you get older, Mrs. Redd, do things of the world seem to get better or worse?

Better.

What are your dislikes, mostly? Losing my hearing.

Do you have fewer friends now? Most likely. Many of them have passed away and I do not get around enough to make new ones.

Are young people today worse than they used to be?

I do not think so. Most of our young people are honest, good and obedient.

Who are some of the outstand-

ing people you have known?
Brigham Young and Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Can you give us some ideas as to your outlook on life?

I would hope and pray to keep my mental faculties and to die before I become helpless. I have enjoyed my family most of all in my life, also my church. I would advise all who have one, to keep their testimonies. I would counsel my friends and loved ones to work hard for the Lord and for their fellowmen. Work never hurt anyone. It will keep you young.'

Your historian desires to express his profound gratitude and appreciation for the wonderful honor bestowed upon him at the fine Brigham City Encampment. To receive that lovely trophy in recognition of my humble services as your historian, was an experience I shall always cherish and it will live long in the preciousness of my memory. It was one of the finest honors your co-worker has ever received and scarcely deserved but appreciated none the less. Thanks, and bless you all!

The Pioneer Rest Home in Brigham City will forever be a monument to the Brigham City Chapter which contributed \$10,000 to start this institution—one of the finest in the country, undoubtedly.

#### Wrong Station—Sorry!

The old Kaysville R.R. Station is now on display at the Pioneer Village and not in the Corinne R.R. Museum as stated in the last edition of The Pioneer. It was donated to the Village by the Union Pacific Railroad Co.

#### The Lehi Mail Coach Massacre

# Sombre Event In History of A Pioneer Settlement

By Hamilton Gardner in the "History of Lehi"

Just what Indian tribes have resided on the north end of Utah Lake, how long they had remained there, what constituted their customs and manner of living, is to history still unknown. Definite however, is the information that this part of Utah Valley had long been a haunt for the redman. Numerous arrowheads, stone mills and other weapons and utensils have been excavated near the springs and other meeting places of the dusky natives.

On entering the valley, white men found small bands from the neighboring Utah tribes, who eked out a meager existence from fishing in Utah Lake, and raising small quantities of Indian corn. Like their tribesmen, they were nomads and wandered from place to place as their food supply diminished or was exhausted.

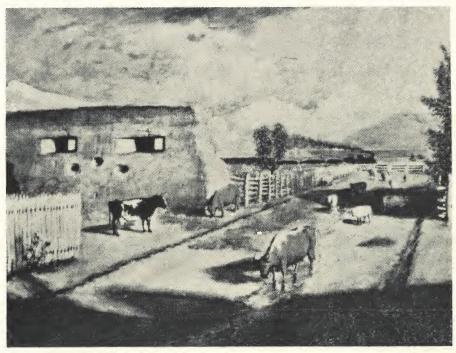
In the spring of 1863, two years before the Black Hawk War, descendents of some of these tribes, perpetuated one of the most wanton and maliscious massacres in western pioneer history.



An Act of Deviltry

A number of soldiers from Fort Douglas, enjoying a vacation at Fort Crittenden, as Camp Floyd or Cedar Fort was then known, wounded two Indians and frightened the squaws of a neighboring camp. It was all done in a spirit of deviltry and without provocation, so the Indians swore revenge on "the white men who wore the blue coats." Unfortunately they confused the soldiers with the men who drove the mail coaches.

On Tuesday evening, June 9, a number of Indians told Mrs. William Ball who then lived at the Jordan Bridge just west of Lehi, and whose family was friendly with the Indians, that on the next day they were going to kill the



The old Lehi Fort Wall, looking south from the corner of Second South and First West, in 1882. Utah Lake and the Wasatch Mountains are at the south background. The first D. & R.G. train that passed through Lehi, is shown at the rear and center.

-from a painting by James T. Harwood

mail driver and the "blue coats." Mrs. Ball warned the driver, but was not able to do so in time for him to do anything by way of preparation.

The next day, George Kirkham of the celebrated Lehi Kirkham family, then 12 years old, was herding cattle west of the Jordan, about a mile northwest of Cold Springs. Seeing the mail coach coming flying in the distance, his curiosity was aroused, and he followed it as closely as he could on his pony.

A Desperate Chase

In a short time he could discern a number of horsemen pursuing the coach and then he could distinguish them as Indians firing at the driver and the vehicle. Ever faster they came, the driver making a

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First his leaders fell, and when a wheeler went down too, the driver dismounted and stood behind his last horse, firing at the attackers as fast as he could. Finally he and his last horse were shot down and the sole passenger in the coach was murdered with him. The driver's name was Wood Reynolds, and because of his bravery, the Indians cut his heart out and ate it, believing that some of his courage would, in that way, pass to them.

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#### What's In a Name?

## Picturesque Places Out West

By T. M. Woolley

Book Cliffs in Grand County are the lower terrace of the East Tavaputs Plateau and are so named because their contours are



suggestive of the backs of a row of books standing upright on a shelf. The upper face of the Cliffs is sheer with talus slopes at the base. Small streams of water have outlined the different "books." They are a

They are a T. Mack Woolley mauve color which is most beautiful and alluring at sunset. The Rio Grande Railroad as well as Highway 6-50 traverse their base.

Box Elder County was named for the abundant growth of the indigenous Box Elder trees within its boundaries. The Box Elder is a native in Utah and within the Great Basin. It grows along water courses and attains a diameter of about twelve inches. It is a Maple, but it has compound leaves; the flowers come out in the spring before the leaves. Box Elder and

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Tooele Counties are the only counties in Utah named for indigenous vegetation.

Capitol Reef National Monument is in Wayne County and is east of the high plateau country. The Fremont River runs through it. The Monument protects and makes accessible a discrete upthrust of vari-colored sedimentary sandstone about twenty miles long. The word reef, as here used is a topographic term denoting an upthrust - a landform with sheer walls. The word Capitol was used because the reef's white sandstone domes, topping reddish - brown standstone, bear a resemblance to the National Capitol in Washington, D.C.

Callao is a ranch hamlet in Juab County on the edge of the Great Salt Lake Desert. This place was at one time called Willow Springs. A resident visited South America and became attached to "Callao," the principal seaport of Peru, and when he returned he had the name changed to "callao," which is Spanish.

Dellenbaugh Butte is in Emery County near the mouth of the San Rafael River. It is very symmetrical and resembles an artificial structure. The explorer Powell named it for an artist, Frederick S. Dellenbaugh, who was assistant topographer in Powell's second expedition.

The fellow who jumps at conclusions isn't always sure of a happy landing.

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## Massacre

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They then scalped both their victims and hacked their bodies to pieces.

Possee Too Late

In the meanwhile young Kirkham had made it to the bridge, and after delivering the horrifying message there, had rushed on to Lehi where a posse was organized to run down the Indians. But the attackers got away, mixed up with their various camps, and nobody was able to identify any of them. The posse could do nothing but take the bodies of the two victims to Salt Lake City.

The next morning, William Ball, a handcart pioneer, who was returning to Lehi from Goshen, met this band of assassins on the southwest shore of the lake, glorying in their scalps, and proudly displaying a bugle and other property of the unfortunate men. Although a squad of soldiers was dispatched from Fort Douglas to search for the rampaging Indians, they were never identified or apprehended.

#### Noal C. Newbold:

#### Story Contestant Who Never Loses

Noal C. Newbold, second place winner in the 1966 SUP Pioneer Stories competitions is a story writer who always wins. His "Jigsaw" narrative, which will be published later in The Pioneer is his fourth consecutive year of entering the contest and he has been an award winner every time.

In 1963 he placed first with "Dig the Grave Deep." In 1964 he placed first with "Tilt Of The Feather." Then came two consecutive second place stories, "Desperate Journey" in 1965 and this year with "Jigsaw."

He is a member of the Temple Quarry Chapter.



# Chapter Eternal

# Ebenezer Kirkham, Salt Lake's Noted 'Sing-Along' Leader, Dies At Age 81

Ebenezer John Kirkham, 81, widely - known chorister and "sing-along" leader, died of a heart attack October 3 at his home, 1013 McClelland St. He was a member of the Salt Lake Luncheon Club Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers and led the singing at most all of their functions as well as that of more than 40 national conventions, performing his persuasive leadershipp for some 60 groups each year.

One of his favorite spots was his annual song leadership at the annual Old Folks Day in Salt Lake's Liberty Park where he always got surprising and amazing response from more than 5000 oldsters. Here his rich and powerful voice fairly swept his audiences into song, even without benefit of microphone. During World War II he visited many Army camps serving as master of ceremonies at all kinds of entertainments and, of course, leading in enthusiastic community singing. He had printed many thousands of copies of songs which he distributed among his audiences.

Mr. Kirkham served in the Swiss-German Misison of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints for three years, 1907-1910. Later he attended the Utah State Agricultural College from which he graduated with a degree in agriculture. He wrote the Aggies famous rally song, "The Scotchman" and led Utah State cheering sections in singing it at numerous football games. He also

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Ebenezer J. Kirkham . . . served in song

managed many concerts while at Utah State and was a member of the first USG Glee Club. He also attended BYU and was elected a member of both the BYU and USC Emeritus Clubs.

He was also the first president of the Ag Club at Utah State and a member of Gamma Sigma Delta. He was a member of the Future Farmers of America and the Utah Wool Growers Assn.

Mr. Kirkham was a high priest in LeGrande Ward. He was a topbracket salesman for New York Life Insurance Co. for 46 years.

"Eb" as he was affectionately called by many thousands of friends throughout the Mountain West, was born of pioneer parents at Lehi, Utah, on Feb. 3, 1885, to the late Patriarch James K. and Martha Mercer Kirkham. James Kirkham, himself musically inclined, as were all the members of this famous pioneer family, wrote many old-time Mormon songs. He was a guardian at the Salt Lake Temple for many years.

#### Harold A. Newey

Harold A. Newey, 56, Huntsville, Utah, died of a heart ailment Oct. 1 at his home. Born Feb. 4, 1910, Huntsville, to John A. and Lottie Anderson Newey.

He married Laverna Burnett, June 15, 1937 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. He was a dairy farmer and a leader in the industry in the northern Utah area. He was a member of the Federated Products Assn. and the Weber County Farm Bureau. Mr. Newey was also a member of the Huntsville Town Board and prominent worker in the Jefferson Hunt Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers.

Survivors: widow; sons, daughter, Harold D., Tooele; David J., Huntsville; Mrs. Ross (DaNece) Robson, Dennison, La.; brothers, sisters, E. Dale, John R., both Huntsville; Mrs. Gilbert M. (Irene) Wheelwright, Mrs. Floyd J. (Maize) Barnett, both Ogden; Mrs. Max (Margene) Tolman, Van Nuys, Calif.

Van Nuys, Calif.

Eb Kirkham was a member of the celebrated Kirkham Brothers of Church and Civic renown, Dr. Francis Kirkham, the late James M., the beloved Oscar K. Kirkham and of course, Ebenezer. At age 89, Francis is the only survivor of the noted quartet and is still active in SUP.

Always regarded as one of Lehi's most renowned native sons, Eb grew up in that pioneer sugar manufacturing town. He was a delivery boy for his father's general store and worked in the sugar factory spinning sugar.

sugar factory spinning sugar.

He married Ethel Wright in the Salt Lake Temple, Sept. 5, 1916. She died Nov. 6, 1964.

Those surviving Mr. Kirkham are his son, H. W., Turlock, Calif.; and three daughters, Mrs. J. A. (Barbara) Jolley, Vernal, Uintah County; Mrs. James J. (Elizabeth) Ryser, Salt Lake City; Mrs. Robert C. (Marie) Thompson, Kabul, Afghanistan; 12 grandchildren, one greatgrandchild; brother, Dr. Francis W., Salt Lake City; sister, Mrs. Alvah (Myrtle) Fitzgerald, Provo, Utah County.

Funeral services were held in the LeGrand Ward Chapel, Oct. 6 and burial was in the Salt Lake City Cemetery.

#### Threshing Bee

## Pioneer Style Is Perpetuated

By Bobbie Raymond (In The Deseret News)

MENDON, Cache County — Folks in Cache Valley annually get all "steamed up" over the annual threshing bee held here.

L. K. Wood, host of the threshing bee, reports more than 4,000 people attended this year with 25 different states and five foreign nations represented.

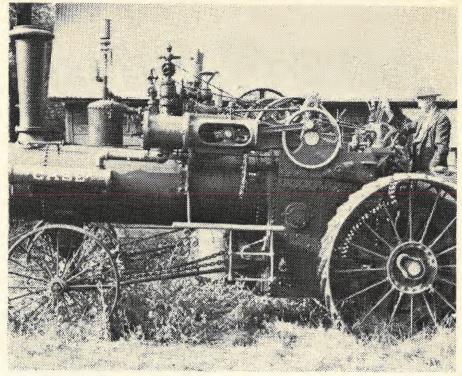
Each threshing season the steam whistles sound on the old Lindon K. Wood place, a block north of the post office. Mr. Wood, owner and collector of these prototype threshing machines and builder of scale models, welcomes everyone.

Guest speaker, Dr. Daryl Chase, president of Utah State University, usually speaks on "Science Invention and American Agriculture."

From then on there is organized bedlam. Every man available is encouraged to shovel coal, pull throttles, and pitchfork grain.

Through the day antique monsters, resplendent in coats of yellow, red and green, perform as they did when first turned out from factories, such as John Deere, McCormick, and Case in the 19th century.

A Case engine does a complete



L.K. Wood, Mendon threshing machine fancier, is at controls of his 20-horse power tractor which performs at the traditional threshing bee in that community each auturm. —Deseret News photo.

team threshing job and a tug-ofwar matches manpower against steam power.

L. K. Wood at 79 in the West's major collector of antique machinery, having spent the past 47 years at this hobby. Not satisfied with just collecting these machines he has also reproduced precision models, all in good working order and used on his farm.

Admission is free, Refreshments are served, furnished by the Men-

don Ward, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Mr. Wood obtained his first engine, a 10-horsepower Russell built in 1892, in 1915. Since then he has acquired or built the other relics, replacing lost and broken parts and polishing and painting them to their original glory.

One of his favorite projects is building half-scale models of Case engines. He has made eight so far. For these and repair work on the original engines, he has made his own wood patterns which are cast in Salt Lake City.

A one-tenth scale display of model engines and separators has been on display in the Utah State Capitol Building for some years.

Many of the parts needed, including mild steel, flues and brass fittings, are very hard to find, Mr. Wood said. All of the castings have to be machined and worked to a polish. The castings have to be machined to three-thousandths of an inch. "Almost the thickness of a hair," he said.

The large wheels, the boiler and the firebox are rolled and sheared in Salt Lake City.

Mr. Wood's display is unique to Utah and the West, but he noted that "steam engine reunions" are held in various parts of the country each year.



This photo taken in 1903 shows how grain was threshed by horsepower. This scene is repeated each year in Mendon, Cache County. —Deseret News photo.

#### Preserving Landmarks

#### Civic Historical Group Organized

Ways and means of emphasizing Salt Lake City's downtown historical significance will be studied by a newly-organized citizens committee named by the Downtown Planning Association.

Chosen chairman of the committee is Mrs. Frank B. (Hermoine) Jex, 272 Wall Street. She will serve 90 days and will then submit a report, said DPA Executive Di-

rector Bob Koenig.

Members of the committee are: Mrs. Milton (Ruth) Cutler, president, North Salt Lake County Chapter, Daughters of Utah Pioneers; C. Lamont Felt, president, Sons of the Utah Pioneers Luncheon Club, and owner Felt Electric Co.; Mrs. Eugene (Ruth) Garbett, civic worker; City Historian Newell Knight; Henry J. Middleton, Skyline High School history teacher; Margaret Derrick Shepherd, Utah State Historical Society photograph library curator, and Robert C. Mitchell, Deseret News staff writer.

Chief responsibility of the committee will be to outline pertinent history related to the downtown area, set up realistic goals and recommendations for such activity as placement and upkeep of markers, displays at significant locations, restoration and preservation of significant structures and devising possible sources of income to implement such projects.

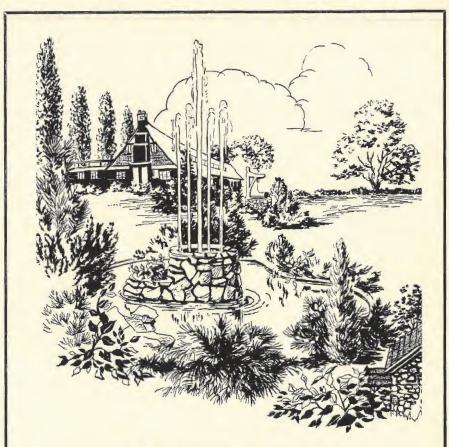
In extenuation of the loss of many markers and landmarks, Mr.

Koenig said:

The DPA Historical Values Committee is in no way intended to conflict with any other historical group. This is a project designed to play its part in the immediate development and beautification of the downtown business district. It is not meant to discourage any activity or interest by any other

"The historical significance of the downtown area has been lost or forgotten. This history should be recovered and properly displayed as part of the economic and esthetic revitalization of the downtown. It can make an impressive contribution in attracting shoppers,

visitors and tourists,'



#### WHAT PRICE MEMORIES?

We sold the old farm home today, The barns, the fields of greening hay, The little brook and waterfall, Bright flowers that grow by garden wall.

We sold the kitchen, white and neat, The stairway, worn by dancing feet Of children, now gone far away-We sold the old farm home today.

We sold the orchard bright with bloom, The hearthfire in the living room, The big front door that opened wide To welcome here my smiling bride.

The tall elm trees that through the years Have nodded o'er our joys and tears. Of what of gold or wealth can pay For memories, we sold today!

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# What Happened To Company Town Out West

By Virgil V. Peterson THE COMPANY TOWN IN THE AMERICAN WEST, by James B. Allen, University of Oklahoma Press, Norman. \$5.95.



This unusual study undertaken by Dr. James B. Allen, associate professor of history at Brigham Young Un-

iversity, Provo, Utah, focuses attention on about 200 companyowned-and-operated towns in the eleven western states. Principal among these are towns established by the lumber, copper and coal mining industries.

These towns sprung up out of necessity, usually occasioned by isolation, to accommodate working personnel of a given industry. They often became self-sufficient communities where all commercial services, utilities and recreational facilities were maintaned and provided by the operating company.

The company image in these towns has often been bad, reflecting a form of serfdom for its residents. The later operations moved to dispel this image and gave laborers and their families a better standard of living.

The company town has now largely disappeared through purchase by real estate brokers as was the case of the coal-mining town of Dragerton, Utah, or by demolition by the operating company to make way for new industrial operations.

#### A New Anthology Of Western Indian Tribes

INDIAN LEGENDS FROM THE NORTHERN ROCKIES, by Ella E. Clark. University of Oklahoma Press, Norman. \$6.95.

This anthology is Volume 82 of The Civilization of the American Indian Series commenced by the University of Oklahoma Press in 1932. Recorded are 129 selected Indian legends at least half of which have never appeared in print before.

Author Clark, professor emeritus of English at Washington State University has gathered these stories from the most reliable sources available, many resulting from personal interviews with the Indians over a number of years.

This collection of tales comes from the twelve Indian tribes who have lived in the present states of Wyoming, Idaho and Montana. The book is arranged by linguistic groups, namely: Nes Perces; Flatheads, Kalispels and Coeur d'Alenes; Kutenais, Shoshonis and Bannocks; Arapahoes, Gros Ventres and Blackfeet; and Crows and Assiniboines.

These legends proport to be accounts given around winter fires for the instruction as well as entertainment of the Indian family. Professor Clark has rendered an invaluable service in preserving for future generations these simple yet flavorful and characteristic narratives that are rapidly disappearing with the intervention of white culture.—V.V.P.

#### Magazine of the Arts Covers Varied Topics

HORIZON. Summer 1966. Volume VIII, No. 3. American Heritage Publishing Co., New York. \$5.00

This colorful number of the hard-covered "magazine of the arts" is profusely illustrated and well written by authors of note, involving eight categories and 11 accounts.

Lord Kinross, who served as the first secretary to the British Embassy in Cairo writes an intriguing story of the Nile and its people from earliest history to the complactions and bounties resulting from the construction of the Aswan High Dam.

In his article "A Few Words from the Estruscans," M.I. Finley, an American classicist tells of the three gold tablets unearthed in 1964, 30 miles north of Rome, the only first hand record of the Estruscans who appeared in Italy in the 8th century, B.C., and devel-

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oped an outstanding civilization but left no formal history of their own.

#### Rare Volume On Utah Indian Lore

DIXIE FOLKLORE AND PIONEER MEMORIES, by Arthur Knight Hafen, historian, SUP Dixie Chapter, private publication, St. George, Utah. \$1.99.

This is a booklet masterpiece of just what its title implies. It is divided into three forms of folklore: Indian folklore, Dixie folklore and Pioneer memories. There is includ-

ed also an appendage on pioneer songs and dances. Typical subtitles include "SUP Restores Ft. Pearce," "Indian Remedies," Indian Superstitution," "The Public Ducking Barrell," "Scalp Hunt," "Pioneer Memories," etc.

Included are songs most devotees of pioneer lore never heard or—old-time dances with the old country fiddler, organ or accordian. Who ever heard of "The Polygamy Dance" in which one man danced with two women? Verses by Whittier and Whitman round off the book.—H.H.J.

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Hilda Erickson ... going on 107

#### Sole Remaining Pioneer Active

Utah's sole remaining pioneer and oldest citizen, will celebrate her 107th birthday on November 11 on which memorable occasion she expects to go to Grantsville for part of the day at least, to visit with relatives.

Mrs. Erickson crossed the plains prior to the coming of the railroad, May 10, 1868. She still gets about somewhat in her wheelchair. Some weeks ago Mrs. Erickson fell and was not expected to move about again but her excellent physical condition and strong determination enabled her to surprise the experts.

Recently our oldest lady attended the National Association of Retired Persons convention in the Hotel Utah, although she had to make the journey in an ambulance. She was also present at the annual "Days of '47" parade in which she has been given a place of prominence for many years, but this time she was not able to ride in the parade nor visit with the onlookers.

The Sons of Utah Pioneers, through the Pioneer Magazine, extends to Hilda Erickson their love and deepest admiration and the wishes for a happy birthday on Nov. 11.

TYPOGRAPHICAL TID-BIT: (The Chicago Tribune)—"Tony Mariotti reported to the police that seven times in the past month, someone has tried to shoot him from ambuses. 'I think someone is after me,' he said."... Tony, we think, must be a conclusion jumper.

#### Commends Kennecott For TV Commercial

Kennecott Copper is to be com-mended for its TV commercial depicting the fascinating story of the copper industry in Utah, particularly at Bingham. This is an excellent way of preserving pioner history, a procedure that may well be emulated by other industries.

This commercial depicts clearly the careers of Col. Daniel Jackson, D. D. Moffatt and other industrial pioneers. Altogether it makes this phase of pioneer history very much alive.

-W. J. Ward

#### Good For One Admission

There seems to be a misunderstanding about the SUP membership card as an admission ticket to the Pioneer Museum. The management requests that this be cleared up with the announcement that the membership card is good for the admission of the person whose name is on the card and not for his whole family ar party.

TYPOGRAPHICTL TID-BIT: "Writing is done in privacy. A thought comes and we dally with it. We scribble down a phrase of it; later we scrutinize the whole of it, hopefully. Does it hold its flame? Writers are people just like you and I." -Adv. for a short story course in Writer's Digest.

Like I and who else?

REPORT OF INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS August 1, 1965 through August 31, 1966 PIONEER VILLAGE MUSEUM & RAILROAD (Corrine) MUSEUM TOTAL ON HAND & IN THE BANK AS OF AUG. 1, 1965...\$ 235.64 (Pioneer Village and Railroad Museum) \$48,228.90 \$ 941.14 Pioneer RRRECEIPTS & DEPOSITS FOR PERIOD—Aug. 1, 1965 thru Aug. 31, 1966 (13 months)—AS FOLLOWS: Village Museum Museum (Corinne) 941.14

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Pioneer Village Museum & & Railroad Museum (Corinne, Utah)

# SUP Traveling Reporter In Europe

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haste used the same narrow streets we observed near Bern.

#### Many Come To U.S.

Many Swiss came to America, Zion, and were a source of strength in pioneer times. Cache Valley they especially liked; it was much like the mountains and valleys in their native land.

Germany, as we traversed it toward Denmark, and seeing very little of city life, was impressive with well-kept roads, fields and forests. Everything appeared to be under the watchful eyes of interested parties. Towns in the distance gleamed with red-tiled roofs, and brick made of mud, processed for strength, durability and some charm. Mud in the low countries, stones in Switzerland; they are well utilized.

Denmark, land of big barns; really a house and a barn, and with two 'banks' alway near; stove wood bank and manure bank;

wealth immediate and wealth potential; and big meadows with cows that did not bother the cultivated crops; a live wire enclosed them. Easy contact with the sea gives Denmark another sourse of food and revenue. Sardines, how good they tasted; superior to Maine's overcooked little fishes. Gardens! always gardens; from the mountains to the sea; supermarkets for fresh foods.

#### A Look At Holland

Holland; Flat, green and canals everywhere that served as roads for heavy stuff, and pleasure craft, and for fences in pastures. In Amsterdam powered 'gondolas' are very popular in the canals that trade-mark the city. Holland has land below sea level. The sea is diked out from thousands of productive acres; a tribute to Dutch daring and determination.

In Southwick, near Brighton, this "son" and his son were happy to walk on the streets of that old

town where our grandfathers lived and to visit the old church and get a record of the infant baptism, in 1833, of Stephen Stanford (1832-1909); Southwick - Logan - Salt Lake City.

Relfecting upon these scenes and events we see more clearly now how Brigham Young made this land, no one wanted, to blossom as the rose by choosing the hardy, capable men and women from distant lands, who were inspired with the knowledge and a testimony of the restored Gospel, to do the tasks that had to be done to colonize this wilderness.

And the wild 'Americans' were tamed, as a rule, by the pioneers, with food and friendliness.

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"Sorry, Mr. Randolph Shaw,
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A traffic judge recommends that automobiles be taken away from all careless drivers. . . Won't the highways look awfully funny without any automobiles!



#### Temple Quarry SUP Group Names Officers

Installation of new officers was the main order of business when the Temple Quarry Chapter of the SUP helds its final summer social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tripp in Big Cottonwood Canyon, Sept. 8. The affair was under the direction of Pres. Elmer Jones and his wife Vilate and Glen and Donna Greenwood.

Appropriate table decorations consisted of pine branches and cones and the weather justified the use of the huge fireplace.

Several charter members were present and they were called upon to speak. Out-going President Jones was a principal speaker. He reviewed the accomplishments of the year. He will remain active as chairman of the board and of the membership committee, with past member Malstrom reminisced on the organizing of the chapter and Pres. Stephen Rawlings. Charter gave J.C. Richards credit for suggesting the name of the chapter.

Happy birthday was sung to Albert Crane, 80, of Harriman, who was honored for his many years of faithfulness to the cause of the pioneers and to the chapter.

#### California Chapter Officers Pay SUP Visit

Mervin Sanders, president, and Burton M. Oliver, secretary and treasurer of the California Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, were recent visitors at the SUP office on Connor Street. They merely "dropped in," as they said, to chat with our General Secretary, T. Mack Woolley, and express their best wishes to all SUP members everywhere.

Pres. Sanders also expressed his regret that he was unable to attend the Brigham City Encampment because of a conflicting business engagement that weekend.

#### HARMAN CAFES

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Recently installed as officers of the Temple Quarry Chapter, Sons of the Utah Pioneers were: Glen Greenwood, president; E.O. Maxfield and Wayne Berrett, vice presidents; J.C. Richards, secretary and treasurer; Ken Rasmussen, trek chairman; Franklin Seal, chaplain; LaGrande Asay, reporter and photographer.

#### Two DUP Centenarians

#### Mrs. Redd, 102 And Mrs. Sprague, 101 Paid Tributes On Recent Birthdays

Two of Utah's centennarian ladies observed birthdays in recent weeks, Mrs. Lucinda P. Redd, 102, Monticello pioneer, on September 21; Mrs. Jennie Giles Sprague, Monroe matron, on September 14.

Mrs. Redd was honored at a family gathering in the Grant Fourth Ward which was attended by most of her 66 descendents. She came to Salt Lake for the observance since most of her family now live here. She stayed at the homes of two daughters, Mrs. Oscar W. McConkie, (Vivian) at 130 C St. and Mrs. Fritz (Alta) Winzenried, 1160 E as t 2700 South.

The biggest thrill of Mrs. Redd's life, she says, was her marriage to James Monroe Redd in the St. George Temple. He was a member of the memorable Hole-inthe Rock Expedition and once took her over the route he had helped to blaze. He died in 1937.

In her younger life, Mrs. Redd served as a member of the San Juan County Board of Education, headed the Daughters of the Pioneers and was a Relief Society President for 30 years.

Mrs. Sprague was born Sept. 14, 1865 in Fillmore, the daughter of Joseph S. and Sarah Huntsman Giles. She was married to Abraham Sprague January 8, 1888 in Holden, He died in 1932.

During much of her life Mrs. Sprague worked as a practical nurse, assisting doctors with the sick particularly through the dread 1918 Spanish Influenza epidemic which killed nearly 14 million people. She also served as a midwife and either delivered or helped deliver more than 300 babies.

A devoted member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, she has served in the Relief Society and has done much work in the temples of the Church. She is a charter member of the Monroe Chapter of the Daughters of the Pioneers. She is the mother of six sons and daughters.

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#### Bear River Hunt Yields 1000 Birds

By James H. Miller (Compiled from records of Alex Toponce)

Alex Toponce, once mayor of Corinne and amazingly successful businessman in the Bear River Valley in pioneer days, has given us, through his carefully-kept records, some of the most interesting pioneer stories to be found anywhere.

He was a great hunter, and enjoyed duck hunting, especially. His exploits with the gun probably did as much as anything to help bring national recognition to the Bear River country as a hunters' paradise.

Herewith is his own brief account of a hunting trip he took once with his friend, a Dr. Hocker

of Evanston:

Dr. Hocker was pleased to accept my invitation and brought along three friends, reputed to be good hunters. I took them down the Bear River about eight miles, within two miles of the mouth of the river, about where the Millionaires Club was later located.

Double Volley
I stationed Doc and one of his friends on the east side of the river and the other two men on the west side. A little shower of rain came up and the ducks began to fly. They would come down one side of the river where they would veer over to the other side, only to get a volley from the next shooter.

In this way some of the flocks were in range of all four guns. In about three hours shooting I filled the double wagon bed, piling the ducks up. There were all kinds and we had to tie some onto the wagon to keep them from falling

off.

When we got back to Corinne and counted them there were over 1,000 birds. That was when there were practically no game laws, Doc Hocker had an idea. He explained to me, "When I left Evanston, Wyoming, the hotel man asked me to save 100 pounds of ducks for him. 'I will pay 50c a pound for them'."

Plenty of Business
"Another fellow, a restaurant man, said 'I will take 50 pounds at

\$1.00 a pound.' And they went on until they subscribed for nearly a ton of ducks. Smart Alecks—having fun with me," I mused, "I shall now send each one as many pounds as he ordered by express and make a sight draft on him through the Corinne Bank and stay here until they all either pay or the drafts are protested. Next time they won't feel so gay!"

He shipped the ducks by night express and drew on his Evanston friends for the money. All Evanston ate ducks for a week but some of the drafts were not honored.

#### DUP Member, 90, Dies

Mrs. Christina Fackerell Brunson, 90, long time member and enthusiastic worker for the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, died Sept. 15 at the home of a daughter, 3646 Wendell Dr. of causes incident to age. She had been married to Charles Arthur Brunson for 69 years. He survives.

She was born Feb. 15, 1876 in Eden, Weber County. She was an organist, Relief Society and Primary worker for most of her life in Fillmore, where she and her companion reared a family of one son and four daughters.

## THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF UTAH PIONEERS Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

For the Fiscal Year 1 August 1965 to		
Cash on Hand and in Banks as of 1 August 1965	31 July 1500	\$11.042.65
National Dues	\$4 170 00	.ψι1,012.05
Members-at-Large Dues	450.00	
Contributions from Members		
Interest on Savings Account		
Interest on Life Membership Fund		
Prior Years Encampment		
Chapter Presidents' Dinner		
Advertising in The Pioneer	2.724.22	
Sale of The Pioneer copies	41.83	
Refund on The Pioneer News Printing & Postage	242.11	
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Total Receipts for National Office		
Dues Old Jupiter and Mormon Battalion Chapter:	s 3.00	
Administration Building Rental	360.00	
Life Membership Trust Fund	500.00	
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Total Receipts		9,291.37
Total Cash on hand plus Receipts		\$20.334.02
Disbursements:		Ψ20.331.02
Salaries	\$2,437,50	
Payroll Taxes Net	93.20	
Travel Expenses		
Postage Supplies and Printing	408.17	
Pins and Awards		
Chapter Presidents' Dinner		
The Pioneer Printing Costs and Mailing	4.205.12	
Advertising Commissions	666.12	
Provo Art Festival		
Heber Save the Tabernacle		
Ad for Days of '47	15.00	
114 101 Days VI 17		
Total Disbursements for National Office	\$9,414.80	
Administration Building Rental	275.00	
Life Membership Trust Fund	500.00	
Old Juniper and Mormon Battalion Chapters	3.00	
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Cash on Hand as at July 31, 1966.		.\$10.141.22
Represented by Cash in Banks as Follows:		
Zions First National Checking Account 31, July 19	966	.\$ 1,201.18
American Savings and Loan		2,225.97
Deseret Federal Savings and Loan		3,237.55
Zions First National Savings		
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Total Cash in Banks	tray .	\$10,141.22
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to Pioneer Village in the		
Dognostfully Submitted	amount of \$75.00.	

Respectfully Submitted L. B. SUMMERHAYS (S) Treasurer

National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers

## Memories Of The Old 17th Ward Meeting House

## 'Amusement Hall' Was Original Chapel In 1873



The historic old Seventeenth Ward meeting house and "Amusement Hall," a hallowed edifice to many downtown members of the Church, has been razed and replaced by a magnificent modern chapel. The

grand old ward house is gone but memories of the place and the wonderful events that took place there, will endure forever.

#### By Harold H. Jenson SUP Historian

Many a Utah pioneer gulped hard and quite a few eyes leaked a little when the memorable and historic Seventeenth Ward Chapel was razed, to be replaced by an ultra-modern structure, probably the finest in all of Salt Lake's downtown area.

The old "meeting house" had its beginning with what later became the amusement hall. (They are called cultural halls now) That was in 1873. The yellow brick chapel for almost a century known to all Salt Lakers as "the Seventeenth Ward," was built in 1907. It cost a mere \$26,000. The new chapel across the street from famous old "151 West, First North"

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#### That Glass Masterpiece

It is significant that the new edifice houses the beautiful glass window by which the pioneer chapel was for so long identified. It was regarded as the masterpiece of its time when first installed, and it can be so regarded today.

Many famous church leaders were born in the neighborhood of the old Seventeenth Ward meeting house. Several of these renowned church leaders have related or written their stories about early life in the "shadow of the temple."

President David O. McKay took part in pioneer dramas there and it is said that he and his beloved and lovely companion at-

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Sturdy Structure

It took only a day or two to tear down the yellow brick chapel, with all the demolition machinery they have nowadays, but the old amusement hall, proved far more sturdy with its solid rock walls and foundation.

This historian hopes that the pictures of us old-timers in Sunday School, MIA and choir groups, which once hung on the walls of the old meeting house, and the ancient religious volumes that were stored under the west front stairway, have been preserved. There were some priceless items stored there and these could and should be restored and brought out in connection with the dedication of the new "17th Ward Chapel."

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